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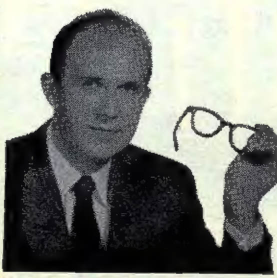

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CRYSTAL WOULD FIND NO HUMOR IN THE WANTON DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY---
NOT EVEN IF IT WERE ACCOMPLISHED BY HER BELOVED HUMAN TORCH!
THEN WHO IN THE NAME'A AUNT PETUNIA CAN IT BE?
PRETTY SOON A BLASTED BADDIE'LL HAVE TO BUY A RESERVED TICKET TO GIT A CRACK AT US!
BEN! REMEMBER THE STRANGE FORMS OF LIFE WE SAW WHEN WE STUDIED THE NEGATIVE ZONE THROUGH MY VIEWER?
WHEN TRITON BROUGHT ME BACK FROM THERE... WHEN THE ARMORED DOOR WAS OPENED FOR THOSE FEW SECONDS..
WHAT IF.. UNSEEN BY US... SOME-THING ELSE CAME THROUGH THE BARRIER!
YOU MEAN.. SOME STRANGE, DEADLY ALIEN CREATURE MIGHT BE UP THERE.. RIGHT NOW??
THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO FIND OUT!
STAY BACK... ALL OF YOU! I'LL STRETCH MYSELF UPWARD AND SEE!
BUT, NO SOONER DOES THE FANTASTIC REED RICHARDS MANAGE TO PEER THROUGH THE JAGGED OPENING ABOVE, WHEN...
BT-DOOM!
I WAS RIGHT! THERE IS SOMEONE WHO...
UNHHH..!
ANOTHER EXPLOSION ---ABOVE US!! REED! WHAT IS IT? ARE YOU ALL RIGHT..??
HE'S FALLIN'! HE'S BEEN HIT! GIMME ROOM... I'LL CATCH 'IM!
EXPLOSION--FROM.. HIS FINGERS! HIS FINGERS--!
REED!
IT'S MY FAULT! I SHOULD HAVE THROWN AN INVISIBLE FORCE FIELD AROUND HIM!
BUT, EVERYTHING HAPPENED SO FAST--!
OKAY, KIDDIES! EVERYONE SIT TIGHT WHILE BASHFUL BENJAMIN GITS HISSELF UP THERE!
NO! I SHALL DO IT! I CAN REACH THE SPOT FIRST!
I'M ALL RIGHT-- BUT--THERE'S SOMEONE ON THE ROOF-- WITH UNCANNY POWER--!
2.

TELL TRITON TO WAIT! IT ISN'T HIS FIGHT! HE'S DONE HIS SHARE--!
THE BATTLE AGAINST EVIL IS EVERYONE'S FIGHT!
EVEN AN INHUMAN HAS A CODE TO LIVE BY!
BUT YER ONLY WEAPON IS THAT NUTTY AIR GUN--!
SHOOOSH!
ANOTHER ONE! NO MATTER... BLASTAAR WILL DRIVE HIM BACK WITH EASE!
RICHARDS WAS RIGHT! HE ACTUALLY CREATES SOME SORT OF SHATTERING EXPLOSIONS WHICH BURST FORTH FROM HIS OWN FINGERTIPS!!
BAH! HIS SPEED WAS GREATER THAN I EXPECTED!
I MUST STRIKE SUDDENLY.. WITHOUT WARNING -- BEFORE HE CAN HURL A SECOND SUCH BLAST!
BTOOOM!
YOU MISSED 'IM, BLASTAAR! YOU STILL AREN'T AS FAST AS SANDMAN!
IF HE IS A BEING FROM THE UNEARTHLY NEGATIVE ZONE, THE SCIENCE OF FIST-FIGHTING MAY BE UNKNOWN TO HIM!
FOR, THERE IS ANOTHER BEHIND HIM WHO CALLS HIMSELF SANDMAN! THERE IS NO TELLING WHEN OR HOW HE TOO MAY STRIKE!
I MUST PRESS MY ADVANTAGE WHILE I STILL CAN!
BOK!
THOUGH HE IS WITHOUT SKILL IN HAND-TO-HAND COMBAT, HIS STRENGTH IS TRULY AWESOME!
I DARE NOT STOP POUNDING HIM, LEST HE DESTROYS ME WITH HIS NEXT BLAST!
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NEITHER IS OL' DOC STRANGE, MARIE!
YEAH! BUT, DON'T FORGET THE BONUS ORIGIN OF THE WATCHER, MORRIE!
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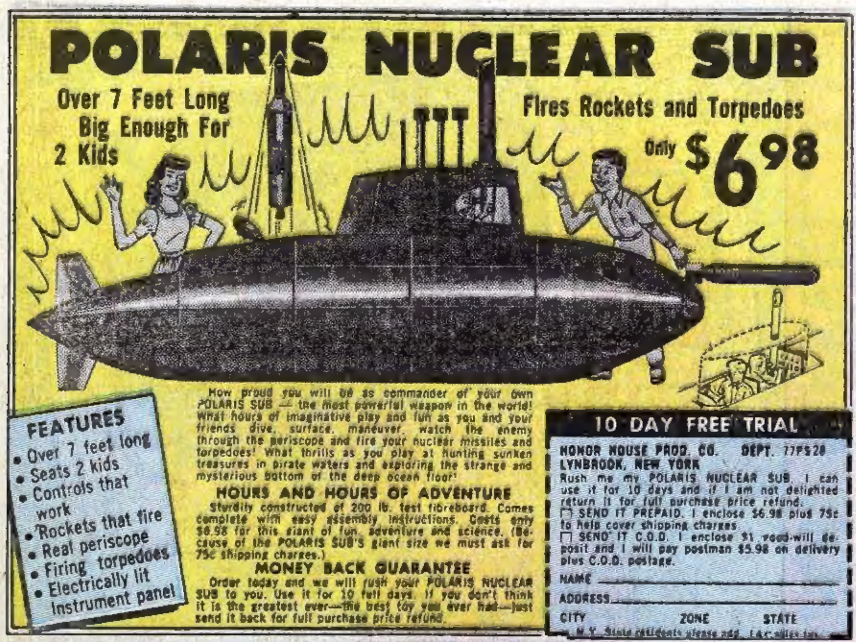
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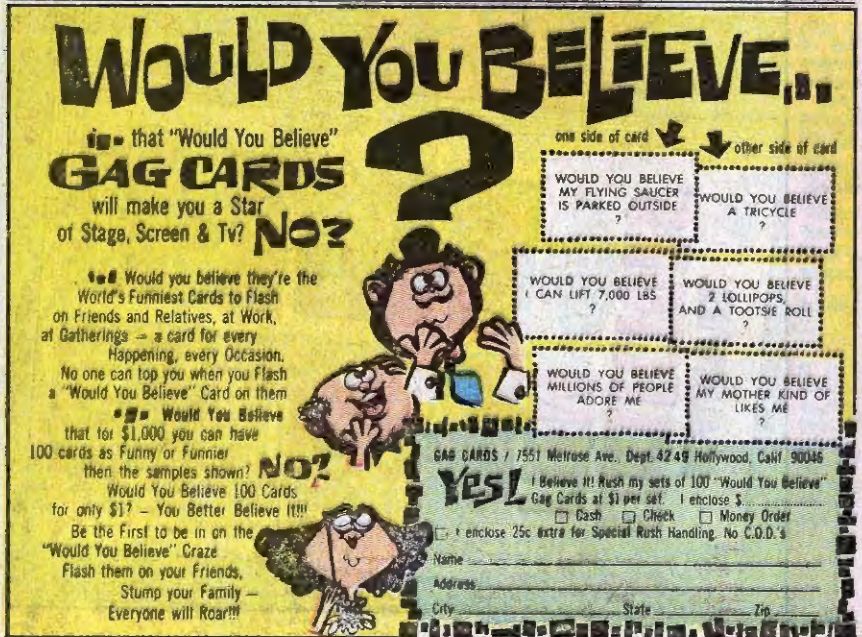
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YOU'VE MADE YOUR HAND LARGE ENOUGH TO LIFT ME!
IF THIS IS A TRICK, TAKE WARNING!! I'LL REDUCE YOU TO ATOMS WITH ONE FULL POWER BLAST!
DON'T GET YOUR JAWS IN AN UPROAR! WE'RE STILL ON THE SAME TEAM!
JUST WATCH...
YOU WALK DOWN THE SIDE OF THIS BUILDING AS THOUGH GRAVITY ITSELF HAS NO EFFECT UPON YOU!
HOW CAN THIS BE?
NOTHIN' TO IT, PAL!
I JUST MIX SOME CHEMICALS WHICH I CARRY IN MY BELT, AND I COME UP WITH ADHESIVE SAND!
NOW HANG ON! HERE'S WHERE I BEGIN YOUR EDUCATION...!
SECONDS LATER, JOHNNY STORM AND THE GIRL NAMED CRYSTAL RUSH FROM THE RESTAURANT IN WHICH THEY HAD BEEN TALKING ABOUT THE THINGS THAT ALL YOUNG LOVERS HAVE TALKED ABOUT SINCE TIME IMMEMORIAL...
JOHNNY! ALL THE NOISE.. THE COMMOTION.. THE SHOUTING IN THE STREET!! WHAT CAN IT BE?
UP THERE.. ON THAT BUILDING!! LOOK!
I'D RATHER NOT KNOW, CRYS HONEY!
IF IT'S TROUBLE, THE HUMAN TORCH MAY BE NEEDED AGAIN!
I SEE WHAT THEY'RE POINTING AT!
ON THAT WALL... DOWN THE STREET.. IT LOOKS LIKE TWO FIGURES... AND ONE OF 'EM IS... THE SANDMAN!
THAT MEANS THERE IS DANGER AGAIN!
JUST WHEN WE HAVE FINALLY FOUND EACH OTHER!
JOHNNY.. DON'T LET IT SEPARATE US AGAIN! PLEASE, JOHNNY... DON'T...!
NOTHING'S GONNA TAKE YOU FROM ME AGAIN, CRYS! NO MATTER WHAT!
BUT I STILL HAVE MY DUTY TO THE FF! I'VE GOTTA FIND OUT WHAT SANDMAN'S UP TO... AND WHO THAT OTHER CLOWN CAN BE!
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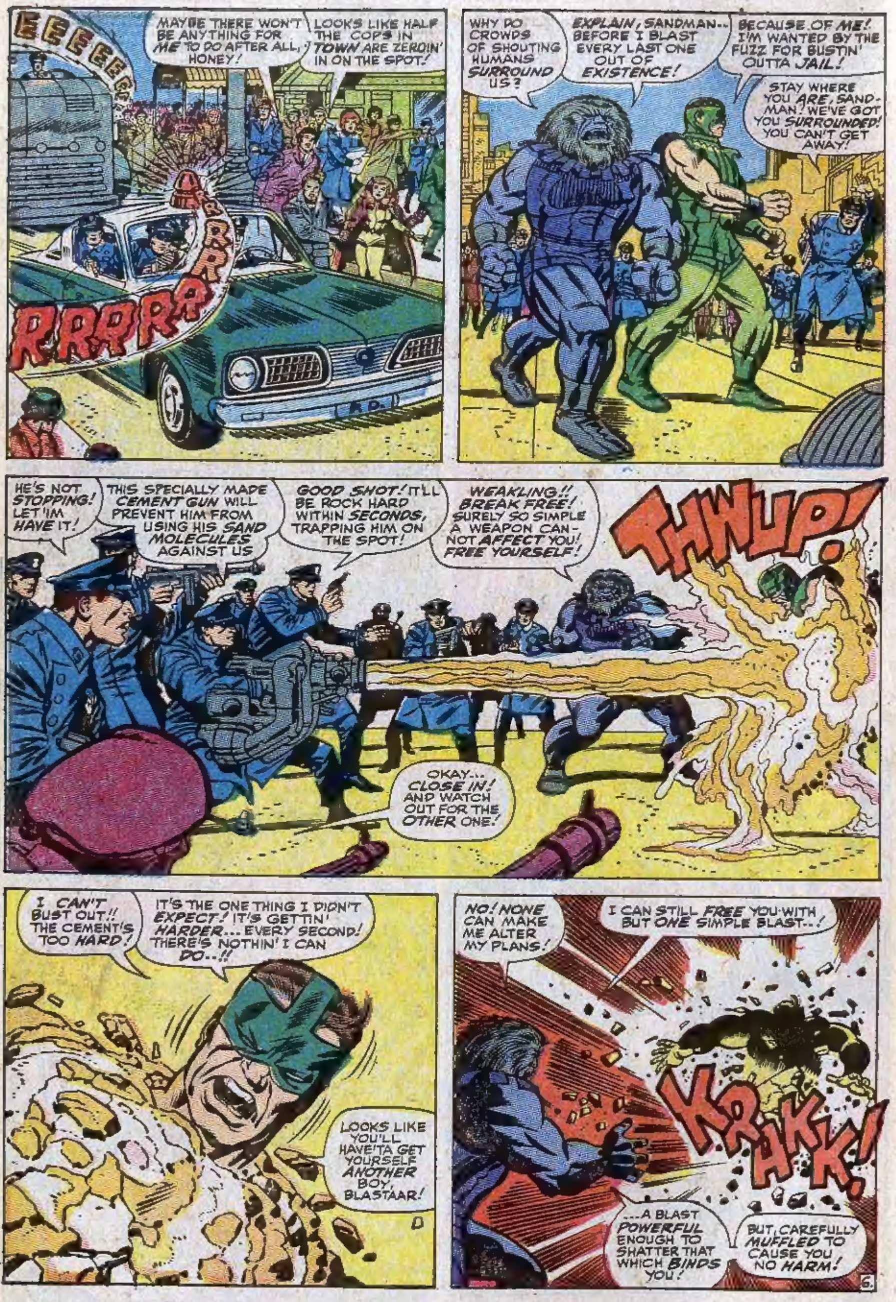

MAYBE THERE WON'T BE ANYTHING FOR ME TO DO AFTER ALL, HONEY!
LOOKS LIKE HALF THE COPS IN TOWN ARE ZEROIN' IN ON THE SPOT!
RRRRR
WHY DO CROWDS OF SHOUTING HUMANS SURROUND US?
EXPLAIN, SANDMAN-- BEFORE I BLAST EVERY LAST ONE OUT OF EXISTENCE!
BECAUSE OF ME! I'M WANTED BY THE FUZZ FOR BUSTIN' OUTTA JAIL!
STAY WHERE YOU ARE, SANDMAN! WE'VE GOT YOU SURROUNDED! YOU CAN'T GET AWAY!
HE'S NOT STOPPING! LET 'IM HAVE IT!
THIS SPECIALLY MADE CEMENT GUN WILL PREVENT HIM FROM USING HIS SAND MOLECULES AGAINST US
GOOD SHOT! IT'LL BE ROCK HARD WITHIN SECONDS, TRAPPING HIM ON THE SPOT!
WEAKLING!! BREAK FREE! SURELY SO SIMPLE A WEAPON CANNOT AFFECT YOU! FREE YOURSELF!
THWUP!
OKAY... CLOSE IN! AND WATCH OUT FOR THE OTHER ONE!
I CAN'T BUST OUT!! THE CEMENT'S TOO HARD!
IT'S THE ONE THING I DIDN'T EXPECT! IT'S GETTIN' HARDER... EVERY SECOND! THERE'S NOTHIN' I CAN DO..!!
LOOKS LIKE YOU'LL HAVE'TA GET YOURSELF ANOTHER BOY, BLASTAAR!
NO! NONE CAN MAKE ME ALTER MY PLANS!
I CAN STILL FREE YOU WITH BUT ONE SIMPLE BLAST..!
KRAKK!
...A BLAST POWERFUL ENOUGH TO SHATTER THAT WHICH BINDS YOU!
BUT CAREFULLY MUFFLED TO CAUSE YOU NO HARM!
6.

HOLY COW!! THE OTHER ONE'S MORE DANGEROUS THAN SANDMAN!
CRACK!
GOOD WORK, BLASTAAR! THEY CAN'T HIT US WITH YOU TOSSIN' THOSE EXPLOSIONS ALL AROUND 'EM!
YOU HUMANS ARE LIKE CHILDREN, PLAYING WITH TOYS...!
I WILL SHOW YOU WHAT REAL POWER IS!
BTOOM!
I'VE SEEN ENOUGH, CRYS!
I CAN'T STAY ON THE SIDELINES ANY LONGER!
FLAME ON!
BLASTAAR!! UP ABOVE US....IT'S THE TORCH!
FORGET EVERYONE ELSE!! HE'S THE ONE TO WORRY ABOUT!
BLASTAAR WORRIES ABOUT NONE!
I DON'T GET IT! THAT GUY CAUSES EXPLOSIONS.. JUST BY POINTING HIS HANDS!
BUT I CAN'T TURN BACK NOW!
LIKE REED AND BEN ALWAYS SAY... WE CAN'T JUST PICK THE EASY JOBS!
WE GOTTA TAKE 'EM AS THEY COME!
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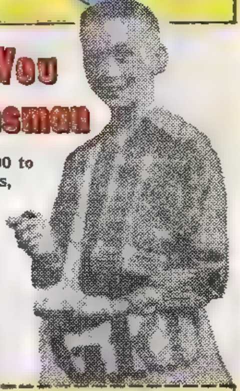

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SO STAND ASIDE WHILE I SHOW YA THE WAY THE SANDMAN CAN STOP ... ATTACK!
MAN! WOTTA DEAL! THEY'RE LIKE RUSSIA AND RED CHINA!
EVEN THOUGH I'M THE MAIN ENEMY, THEY'RE NOT BUSTIN' AT THE SEAMS WITH BROTHER-... FOR EACH OTHER, EITHER!
WHAT?!! YOU STILL PRESUME TO MATCH YOUR PALTRY POWER AGAINST MINE?
NICE TRY, SANDY... BUT THE DAY HASN'T COME WHEN I CAN'T FLY RINGS AROUND ANYTHING YOU CAN TOSS AT ME!
YOU THINK SO? THEN TRY DODGIN' THESE, HOT-HEAD!
WHITT!
HE'S FORMING GRANITE BOULDERS AND TOSSING 'EM AT ME!
BUT THEN, SUDDENLY, THE STRANGE, RASPING, UNEARTHLY VOICE OF THE BEING CALLED BLASTAAR THUNDERS ABOVE THE SOUND OF BATTLE...
I HAVE WITNESSED ENOUGH!
NOW, WITH BUT ONE SINGLE GESTURE, I WILL DESTROY THE HUMAN TORCH!
THE HECK YOU WILL!
ZOOM!
WHAT'S THAT?
SOME NEW FORCE HAS SEIZED US!
IF ANYONE'S GONNA DO ANY DESTROYIN' AROUND HERE, AUNT PETUNIA'S BLUSHIN' BLUE-EYED NEPHEW BENJAMIN IS GONNA GIT FIRST ... DIG?
BLASTAAR... ...'S THE THING!
BOOT'ES

TAKE NO CHANCES W TH H M HE'S DANGEROUS..!
YOU BETTER BELIEVE T CURLY!
CAN SOMEONE SO GROTESQUE BE AN EARTHL NG TOO?
NOW YA DID IT YA HURT MY FEELIN'S!!
BEN! BE CAREF... HE'S NOT HUMAN!
HE HAS THE POWER TO...HEY!!
LOOK OUT!! SANDMAN'S ESCAPING! HE'S CHANGED H S MOLECULES TO FINE SAND...POURING THROUGH H'S COSTUME..!
SURE!! NOW YA TE.. ME!
NO MATTER WHERE I DIRECT MY FLAME, HIS FAST-MOVING GRAINS KEEP DISPERSING SOMEWHERE ELSE!
HE'S GETTING AWAY-- DOWN THROUGH THAT GRATING!! I'M LOS NG
I'M TOO LATE! HE'S GONE!
I'D BETTER TURN BACK AND SEE WHAT BEN-- OH, NO!!
ANOTHER EXPLOSION!!
NOW, YOU ORANGE-HUED MONSTROSITY... YOU WILL FEEL THE BLISTERING, BLUDGEONING POWER OF BLASTAAR!!
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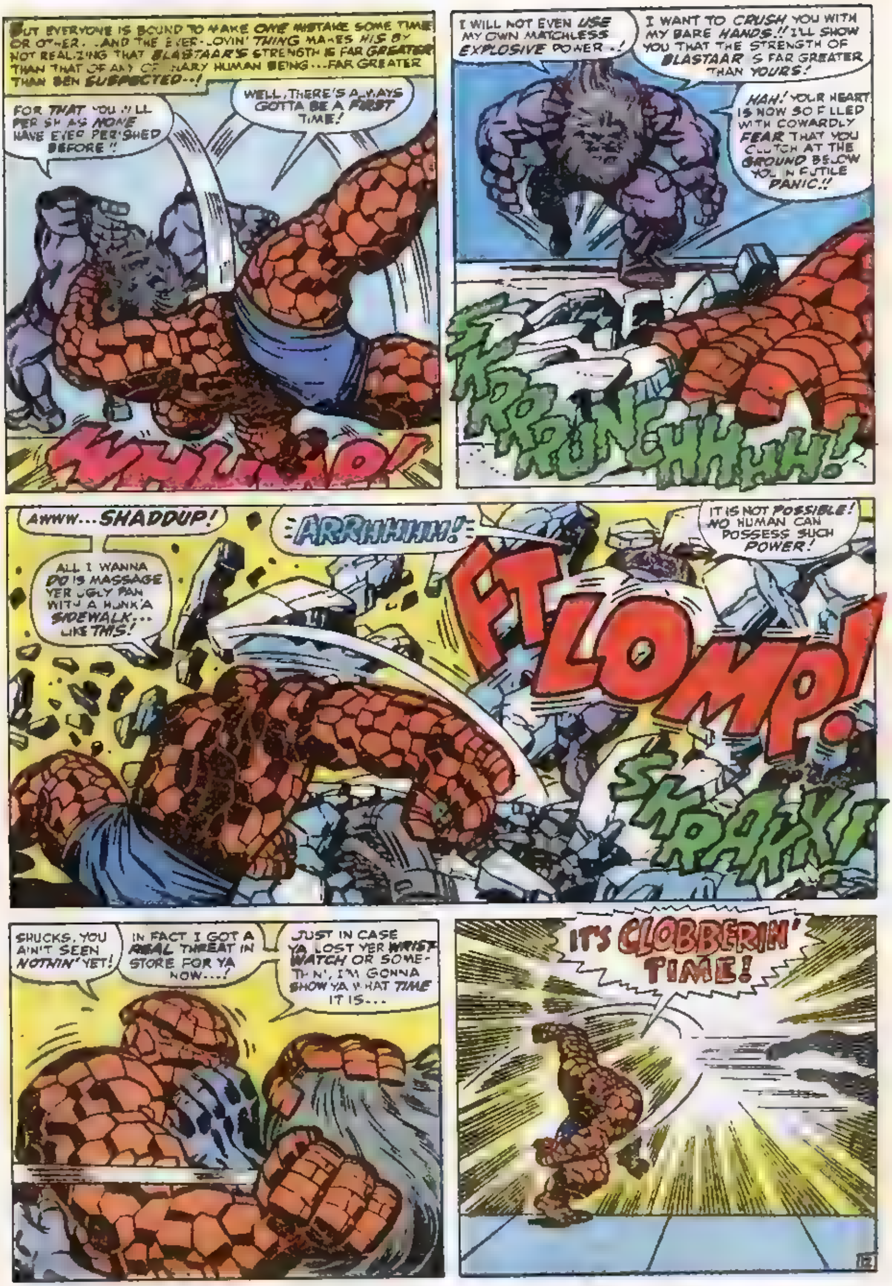
BENJY TOOK THE FULL BRUNT OF IT WHICH MEANS IT'S UP TO ME NOW!
NOW, BOOM-BOOM, WHILE YOU'RE WAITING, I'LL GIVE YOU SOMETHING TO CHEW ON ALSO!
YOU ARROGANT FOOL! ANYONE ELSE WOULD HAVE FLED IN MINDLESS PANIC AFTER WHAT YOU'VE JUST SEEN
ONCE... JUST ONCE... CAN'T WE EVER FIGHT A GUY WHO DON'T MAKE SPEECHES?!!
BTOOM
BIG DEAL! SO YA MANAGED TO SNUFF OUT TORCHY'S FLAME!
AND A KINDERGARTEN WITH A SECOND-HAND WATER-GUN COULD'A DONE THE SAME THING!
BUT NOW LET'S SEE WHATCHA CAN DO AGAINST A GUY WHO CAN GRAB THEM CRAZY MITTS OF YOURS!
GO ON... LET OUT ANOTHER BLAST... WHAT ARE YA WAITIN' FOR? BOMBS AWAY BABY
WELL? WHAT'S STOPPIN' YA? JUST 'CAUSE I GOT YER FINGERS POINTIN' AT YER OWN UGLY KISSER? SAY... YA OUGHTTA DO SOMETHIN' ABOUT THEM DISHPAN HANDS!


BUT EVERYONE IS BOUND TO MAKE ONE MISTAKE SOME TIME OR OTHER. . AND THE EVER-LOVIN' THING MAKES HIS BY NOT REALIZING THAT BLASTAAR'S STRENGTH IS FAR GREATER THAN THAT OF ANY ORDINARY HUMAN BEING...FAR GREATER THAN BEN SUSPECTED--!
FOR THAT YOU WILL PERISH AS NONE HAVE EVER PERISHED BEFORE!!
WELL, THERE'S ALWAYS GOTTA BE A FIRST TIME!
I WILL NOT EVEN USE MY OWN MATCHLESS EXPLOSIVE POWER..!
I WANT TO CRUSH YOU WITH MY BARE HANDS!! I'LL SHOW YOU THAT THE STRENGTH OF BLASTAAR IS FAR GREATER THAN YOURS!
HAH! YOUR HEART IS NOW SO FILLED WITH COWARDLY FEAR THAT YOU CLUTCH AT THE GROUND BELOW YOU IN FUTILE PANIC!!
KRRUNCHHHH!
AWWW...SHADDUP!
ALL I WANNA DO IS MASSAGE YER UGLY PAN WITH A HUNK'A SIDEWALK...LIKE THIS!
ARRHHHHH!
IT IS NOT POSSIBLE! NO HUMAN CAN POSSESS SUCH POWER!
FT-LOMP!
SHRAKK!
SHUCKS, YOU AIN'T SEEN NOTHIN' YET!
IN FACT I GOT A REAL THREAT IN STORE FOR YA NOW...!
JUST IN CASE YA LOST YER WRIST-WATCH OR SOMETHIN', I'M GONNA SHOW YA WHAT TIME IT IS...
IT'S CLOBBERIN' TIME!
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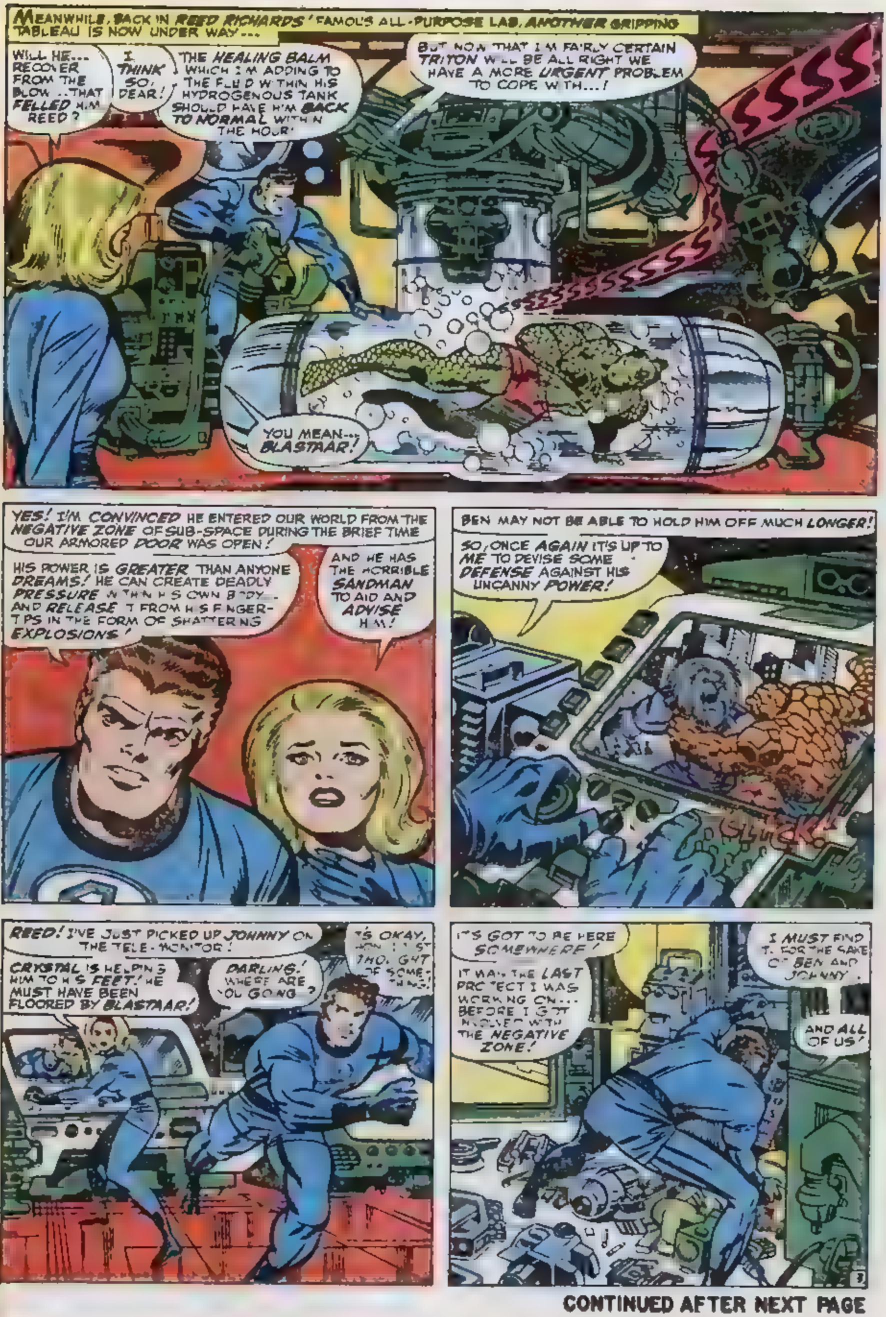

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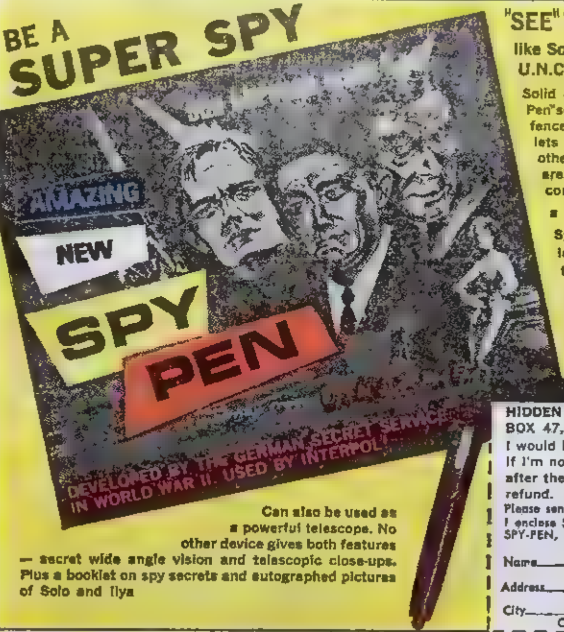

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SHEESH! ANOTHER COUNTY HEARD FROM
WE GOT US A PRIVATE LITTLE SCORE TO SETTLE!
THE SANDMAN!
SAY YOUR PRAYERS, YOU ORANGE-SKINNED APE!
INTERFERE WITH MY PLANS AGAIN...
ZAT SO? WHATCHA AIMIN' TO DO... LEAVE TOWN?
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NO! DANGEROUS!
AHH! THE VOICE OF A FEMALE! AND A FAIR ONE AS WELL!
THEN THIS PALTRY PLANET DOES HAVE A REDEEMING FEATURE AFTER ALL!
STAY BACK! DO NOT DRAW NEAR ME! I WARN YOU
WHAT?? YOU... A MERE FEMALE... DARE TO REPULSE BLASTAAR?
THEN, BEFORE ANOTHER SYLLABLE CAN BE UTTERED, A TWISTING, TURNING TITANIC TORNADO SEEMS TO APPEAR FROM NOWHERE...
I WARNED YOU!!
IT IS LIKE MAGIC! ...AS THOUGH SHE WILLED IT TO HAPPEN!
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IT SEEMS THAT BLASTAAR HAS MUCH TO LEARN!
I DID NOT SUSPECT THAT ALMOST ALL EARTH BEINGS POSSESSED SUPER-POWERS OF THEIR OWN!
I'VE GOT MY FLAME BACK, CRYS.
YOU GET YOURSELF TO SHELTER SOME-WHERE ..FAST! I'LL TACKLE HIM AGAIN... AND THIS TIME I'LL KNOW WHAT TO EXPECT!
YOU INEPT, YOUNG BUMBLER!!
KNOWING WHAT TO EXPECT... AND BEING ABLE TO DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT... ARE TWO DIFFERENT THINGS!
BTOOM!
WHAT IS THIS..?!!
YOU INCREASE YOUR FLAME SO THAT YOU ABSORB MY EXPLOSIVE BLAST!
JOHNNY'S GLOWING... LIKE A LIVING STAR. THE SIGHT IS DAZZLING... BLINDING..!
JOHNNY.. JOHNNY.. BE CAREFUL!! DON'T TAMPER WITH FORCES WHICH NO MAN MAY CONTROL..!
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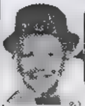

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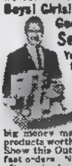

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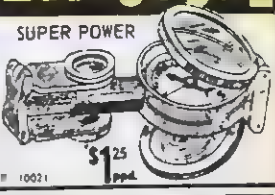

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HE MUST HAVE DROWNED BY NOW!! NOBODY COULD STAY UNDERWATER THAT LONG AND LIVE!
THIS IS MY MOST GLORIOUS MOMENT! I... AND I ALONE... HAVE DESTROYED THE MOST POWERFUL MEMBER OF THE FANTASTIC FOUR!
DON'T BET ON IT, YOU CREEP!
HUH? WHAT..? WHAT WAS THAT??
CRASH!
IT WUZ THE GUY YA JUST DESTROYED!"... WHAT ELSE?"
NOW SANDY... JUST HOLD THAT POSE... HEAR?
EVER SEE A PICTURE THAT NO SOUND EFFECT COULD DO JUSTICE TO?
WELL, YOU'RE LOOKING AT ONE RIGHT NOW, TRUE BELIEVER..!
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BUT THEN...
NUTS!! HE'S DISSOLVED ALL HIS SAND MOLECULES AND HE'S SCATTERIN' 'EM... SO'S I CAN'T WHUMP 'IM AGAIN.
AND THE TIDE'S CARRYIN' 'IM OFF IN A ZILLION DIRECTIONS AT ONCE...
WELL, NO SENSE COMPLAININ'! IT TURNED OUT OKAY ANYHOW!
I FIGGER IT'LL TAKE MONTHS FER THE SANDMAN TO BRING HIMSELF TOGETHER AGAIN...
SO THAT GITS 'IM OFFA OUR BACKS FER NOW!
AT THAT MOMENT, ON THE OTHER SIDE OF TOWN
MORE SUPER-POWERFUL HUMANS!
BUT, I'LL FINISH YOU ALL OFF WITH A FEW MERE BLASTS!
I KNEW YOU'D SHOW UP, REED!
BUT WHAT IS IT YOU'RE TRYIN' TO DO?
I'VE GOT TO FIT THIS HELMET ONTO BLASTAAR'S HEAD... SOMEHOW... BEFORE HE CONNECTS WITH ONE OF THOSE EXPLOSIVE BOLTS!
BAH!! THAT INFERNAL BODY OF HIS BENDS AND STRETCHES AWAY FROM MY BLASTS... BUT THE FEMALE SHALL NOT BE SO FORTUNATE!
WHAT IS THIS?? I CANNOT STRIKE HER, EITHER!
IT WORKED! I DIVERTED HIS ATTENTION FROM REED!
NOW IF MY INVISIBLE FORCE FIELD WILL JUST HOLD OUT...
HEADS UP, GANG!
I'LL SOFTEN UP THE GROUND BENEATH BLASTAAR'S FEET, SO HE'LL FALL DOWN AN' GO BOOM!

GOOD WORK, JOHNNY! THAT WAS THE VERY CHANCE I NEEDED!
IF I CAN JUST SECURE THIS HELMET TO HIS HEAD, WE'LL HAVE HIM!!
IT CONTAINS A CUT-OFF DEVICE TO PREVENT THE EXPLOSIVE PRESSURE FROM BUILDING UP WITHIN HIS BODY!
REED!! LOOK OUT!! HIS FINGERS..!!
BTOOM!
I FAILED... FAILED..!!
SUE! JOHNNY! CRYSTAL!
NEVER MIND ME! SAVE YOURSELVES!! I'LL KEEP HIM BUSY... WHILE YOU MAKE IT TO SHELTER..!
BITE YOUR TONGUE, BROTHER-IN-LAW!
IT'S BLASTAAR WHO'S GONNA NEED THE SHELTER!
LET'S SEE HOW A FIRE-WALL DOWN THERE'LL GRAB YOU, BLASTY!
HAH! ONCE AGAIN THE OVERCONF DENCE OF YOUTH HAS BEEN YOUR UNDO NG!
I HAVE YOU NOW!! YOUR FLAME CANNOT HARM ME!!
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ITEM: This is what you've been waiting for! (We hope!) The first official scoop on our king-sized SPECIALS for this summer! We're gonna have a half-dozen super-deluxe bombshells once more—but you'll find a couple of surprises among them. The first two titles will be MILLIE THE MODEL (which we toss in each year for your sisters and gal friends), and SGT. FURY AND HIS WHATCHAMACALLEMS. A month later, we'll follow up with (and these are the surprises!) DAREDEVIL and THE AVENGERS! Then, while you're still reelin', THE FANTASTIC FOUR and SPIDER-MAN will boot you outta your tree! We're omitting THOR this year because he'll be featured in THE AVENGERS, and that gives us a chance to launch the king-sized DAREDEVIL! Now, here's the next bit of exciting news — each mag will feature all—or nearly all—original material—much more than last year's Specials, or the year before! We're gonna fill 'em up with feature pages, pin-ups, and everything else you've been clamoring for. However, one important word of caution: Remember how difficult our Specials were to find on last summer's crowded newsstands? Well, this time play it safe — tell your newsdealer right now to reserve the titles you want—to put them away for you as soon as he receives 'em. You'll be glad you did, tiger!

ITEM: It looks like we did it again! Another king-sized goof! Remember last ish when we omitted the Marvel Checklist? We thought we'd wait to learn if anyone missed it. But, we never even got a chance to wait for your mail! The men at the printing plant —the gang in the mail-room — the messengers from the corner lunchroom—and everyone else who happened to be within earshot, all set up a howl that could be heard clear over to Brand Echh! It seems that we had merely tossed away one of their favorite features! So, if everyone else feels that way about it, we figure you do, too! Ergo, if you'll glance at the side of this page, you'll see the ol' Checklist back again, and our eager-beaver editorial staff more red-faced than ever!

ITEM: We've just enough space left to welcome Dandy DAN ADKINS to the blusterin' Bullpen. Dan's the fellow who drew the cover of X-MEN #31, as well as the Sub-Mariner yarn for ASTONISH #92. (Run, do not walk—it's now on sale!) If his style reminds you of another former Marvel-ite, it's because Dan has worked with him sometimes anonymously, for quite a while . . . but now the dandy one is on his own, and we have a hunch he's headed right for the top of Marvel stardom. We also wanna welcome OGDEN WHITNEY and GEORGE BELL back to the fold and say hello to HERB TRIMPE (pronounced Trimp-y) — other fabulous fledgling. You'll be seeing the aforementioned stalwarts represented more frequently as time goes by—you lucky devils you!

ITEM: We've received a zillion letters (wouldja believe a couple?) asking us to have Our Leader do an editorial on this page each ish, in order to bring the Marvel Message to all True Believers! Hence, in obvious obeisance to thy slightest wishes, O Keepers of the Flame, we hereby inaugurate a forensic new feature, to be known

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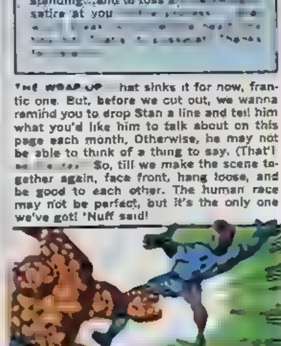
... just a big put-on, or are y... to TELL us something? Are yo...

... standing ... and to toss a ... satire at you ...

THE WRAP UP: ...hat sinks it for now, frantic one. But, before we cut out, we wanna remind you to drop Stan a line and tell him what you'd like him to talk about on this page each month. Otherwise, he may not be able to think of a thing to say. (That'l ...) So, till we make the scene together again, face front, hang loose, and be good to each other. The human race may not be perfect, but it's the only one we've got! 'Nuff said!



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Fantastic Four (4) Fan Page

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Dear Stan and Jack,

A passing comment in an old issue of F.F. on the letters page sent chills down my back. You said that you couldn't find the issue in which the Inhumans were introduced. Does that mean that no indestructible transcripts of each Marvel masterpiece are available to you? Someday will these consummate examples of the comic book genre be nothing but a fading memory?? Has the value of the greenback blinded you to the value of your art?? Is no provision made for the preservation of Marvel Comics for future generations?? Think of our children and our children's children! Reassure me, Stan, please!!

Arthur Stickney, 381 Tremont Ave.
Orange, N. J. 07050

Sorry, Art — we didn't mean to get you all shook-up that way. Unfortunately, however, there's not too much reassurance we can give you. We keep so busy writing and drawing our little excursions into epicdom that we never seem to find time to file 'em away after they're printed. In fact, just the other day we wanted to refer to something that was drawn in the first F.F. ANNUAL, and wouldja believe — we hadda find a collector who had an extra copy — and we bought it from him — after Honest Irv lent us the dough!

Dear Stan and Jack,

Va-va-va-voom! Another Marvel breakthrough —the Inhumans also made a breakthrough of their own. Am I glad you guys let the Inhumans go free. Now all you have to do is let Johnny and Crystal get hitched. The cover was colorful and it was drawn beautifully. I've always wanted to cut the cover of one of your mags off and use it as a pinup. The only thing wrong is that I can't get up enough nerve to make a mess of your hard work. It's been two years since you made a Marvel addict out of me and I know how it feels to have a comic torn. It's like burning a DaVinci!

Joe Kovacs, 3717 Leith St.
Flint, Mich. 48506

Or like getting a gravy stain on your MMMS card, eh Joey? As far as Johnny and Crys getting connubially linked — it's perfectly okay with us — as everyone knows, we're all in favor of moonlight and roses, hearts and flowers, and corned beef and cabbage. But, alas, this is one decision which our two young lovers will have to make on their own — we are merely their loyal chroniclers. (And so speaketh the champion buck-passers of the century!)

Dear Stan and Jack,

Greetings, cheerfully even, from another Merry Marcher. Just had to write after reading that great article in *Esquire* on my favorite comics—Marvel, natch! Imagine, a mag like that finally realizing what this era has produced —a counter-revolution to today's sagging spirits. Seriously, all the guys over here in Viet Nam really dig your great mags. After all, who wouldn't like ol' Ben Grimm next to him in a fire fight with the Viet Cong? We could even put Spidey to work. Couldn't you just see him swinging from rubber tree to rubber tree, dropping hand-grenades on an enemy machine gun? Well, anybody can dream. No other mag has the fine quality, both in words and pictures, that Marvel has. Right now I'm stuck in the 3rd Field Hospital after being the recipient of a water mine. Thanks for taking your time to read this, and a large bunch of congrats from my buddies and me over here.

SP/4 Gil E. Cerf, Co C, 1st Bn., 18th Inf.
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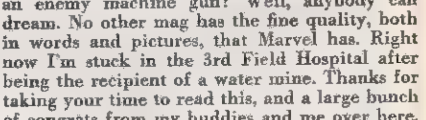
'Twas great hearing from you, Gil, and we hope you're fully mended by the time these imperishable words are unleashed upon the waiting world. In order to help ease the cultural crisis overseas, we've just shipped a whole kaboodle of Marvel mags to your APO address, for you and your fellow doggies. Hope you get as big a boot out of them as we got out of reading your merry missive, and all of the Bullpen's best wishes to each and every one of you great guys — we're praying for the day when you can all return safely home, and we can Face Front together!



Dear Stan and Jack,

As I write this I have just finished F.F. #58. Predicting from your usual three-issue letter-lag, this should be published (if it's published at all) after Galactus and the Watcher restore order

to the Universe and a new menace should have arrived. I won't go into the several, extensive discussions I've heard postulated—analogies between aspects of Einstein's Unified Field Theory and Quantum Mechanics and Stan Lee-Reed Richards; Marshall McLuhan's Media theories being extended to Marvel Comics, with Marvel being the literary world's answer to TV – a cool, literate, high depth involvement, higher reality level; the F.F. as an embodiment of Everyman, a modern Morality play; the F.F. as a metaphysical statement of the Good movement, etc. From this one could deduce a statement concerning the absurd universality of Marvel as compared with any other form of communication. From the viewpoint of an experimental college attempting to integrate all knowledge into workable organic unities; to create new knowledge; to find real, total solutions to human problems; to allow people to reach a full development of themselves; from our viewpoint Stan Lee and Kirby and the Fantastic Four are one of the few phenomena in our society dealing with reality; the rest are fragmented and isolated. One wonders whether Stan Lee shall decide he is more than an Editor-Seeker and decide to become a Philosopher-King. This is within my frame of reference only, for obviously within the Kingdom of Marvel, he occupies the throne.

Luke Carpenter, Registrar, Blake College
Eugene, Ore.

Luke, ol' buddy, you can be our Grand Vizier any time you say the word! Your letter really sent us into orbit, which isn't easy to do to a couple of guys who are chained to their typewriter and drawing board! Anyway, we treasured every scintillatin' syllable of your philosophical paean, and will be leaving the Bullpen shortly to get measured for our ermine robes!

Dear Stan and Jack,

Aw, come off it now, fellas—after reading your superb F.F. #59 and having my mind completely blown, I turned to the letters page for the lingering aftertaste of greatness. And, what assaulted me in the very first letter? A Phi Bet, no less, and he doesn't even know enough to use a Kafka example correctly! Not only did you print his letter with no comment on the error, but you congratulated him on being a fellow Kafka-ite! I may be only a lowly Westerner—a University of Redlands graduate—and I've never seen Princeton, but I know from reading Kafka's "Metamorphosis" that Gregor became a beetle, not a spider. (See the first paragraph of the manuscript describing his "belly divided into stiff arched segments" and the charwoman's description of him as a "dung beetle".)You don't expect us Marvelites to be that obtuse, do you? As for the fan's ideas on marrying off Ben and Johnny, they're fair suggestions, but I like things better the way they are, at least for the next millenium. Thank goodness your goof was only in the letters page; the tale itself was, as usual, magnificent in all aspects. A side comment on the unmatchable Dr. Strange, too—the art in issue #153 surpasses anything previous when it comes to characterization. So, thanks from my husband (a Claremont Men's College graduate) and myself (would you believe—An English teacher!) for a truly bright spot in our lives—our merry Marvel madness.

Mrs. Nancy Burtnett, 836 Gardenia
Long Beach, Cal. 90813

Nan honey, we thank you—Dr. Strange thanks you — Irving Forbush thanks you! As for Friendly Franz Kafka, we appreciate your comprehensive correction of so vital a matter — and, a set of king-size congrats to the University of Redlands for turnin' out a pussycat grad like you!

Dear Stan and Jack,

Words haven't been printed to describe F.F. #59! The story was like Shakespeare had written it! The artwork was like Michaelangelo had drawn it! Even the lettering was like Guttenburg had lettered it! In other words, this was a rather good mag! By the way, a certain question has been haunting me. When Black Bolt spoke (as so wonderfully shown on page 11, panel 5), what did he say?? Did he say "Sooie!"? Did he say "Four score and seven years ago . . ."? Or did Honest Irving slip him a few nickels (wooden, of course) to let the Inhumans hear Black Bolt say, "Make mine Marvel!"???

Dean Hill, P.O. Box 495
Warrior, Ala.

You did it, Dean! You *did* it! You gave us another monumentally maniacal idea for a nutty new no-prize contest! This oughtta keep the best brains in Marveldom (And there can't be any *other* kind of brains amongst you True Believers!) busy for weeks on so cataclysmic a conundrum! Therefore, for the most momentous, mirthful, and mind-expanding answer to today's most burning question — "What did Black Bolt say?" — we'll award a one-of-a-kind, genuine synthetic, portable no-prize! This contest, by the way, is open only to members of the human race! Who *says* this isn't the Marvel Age of Exclusivity!

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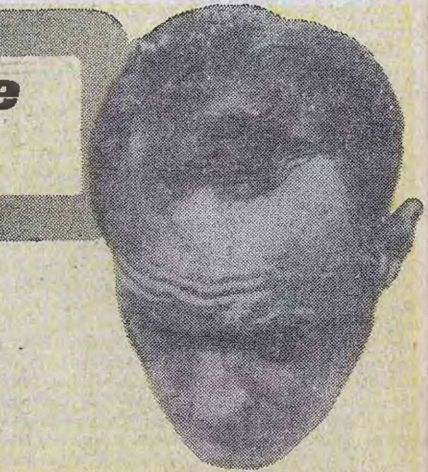

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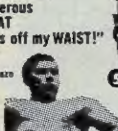

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